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## **Woodbury to leave Washington Emergency Management Division for new position**

CAMP MURRAY, WA – Glen Woodbury, Washington Emergency Management Division (EMD) director, today announced he will leave his post July 1 to accept a faculty position with the Naval Postgraduate School's Center for Homeland Defense and Security.

Woodbury has served as the state's emergency management division director since August 1998 and helped direct the state's emergency response and recovery from the Nisqually Earthquake of 2001 and the September 2001 terrorist attacks. He also oversaw the startup of the division's operations center at Camp Murray in 1998 and Washington's entrance into the Emergency Management Assistance Compact of 48 states, two territories and the District of Columbia.

"The best part of the last six years has been the people I have had the opportunity to work with," Woodbury told emergency management division staff. "I will miss my colleagues and friends throughout the state's emergency response community."

Maj. Gen. Timothy J. Lowenberg, director of the Washington Military Department which oversees EMD, said, "We obviously hate to lose such a dedicated and dynamic leader as Director of our Emergency Management Division. Our loss, however, is also our gain in that his new position will enable him to even more effectively influence national emergency preparedness and homeland security policy."

Lowenberg said the state military department will embark on an aggressive national search for a new director. "We would like to complete the selection process by the end of June, but the most important consideration is selection of a successor who will sustain the standards of excellence Glen has established during his tenure of office."

Woodbury served as president of the National Emergency Management Association from 2002 to 2003 and played a key role in involving state emergency managers in the homeland security issues of the post 9/11 world.

He first joined the EMD as a duty officer in 1994 after 11 years of U.S. Army service. He served as manager of the division's emergency operations center from 1995 to 1998.

EMD has a staff of 107 employees and an annual budget of \$117 million.

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